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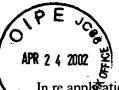
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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

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2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| (Col.1) Claims Remaining After Amendment | | | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | 7 | |
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| Total | 30 | Minus | 20 | = 10 | x \$9 = | \$90 | |
| Indep. | 4 | Minus | 3 | = 1 | x \$42 = | \$42 | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim | | | | | + \$135 = | \$0 | |
| | | | ····- | | Total | \$132 | |

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FEE DEFICIENCY

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SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED DRAWING AMENDMENT FOR APPROVAL BY EXAMINER (37 C.F.R. section 1.123)

Attached please find a copy of the original drawing(s) with red ink markings, showing the proposed changes to the drawing(s) in this application, for which the approval of the Examiner is requested.

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWING(S) PRIOR TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

Attached please find the formal drawings for this application.

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Drawings submitted under sections 1.81, 1.83 through 1.85, 1.152, 1.165, 1.174, 1.437 "37 C.F.R. section 1.6(d)(4).

(Transmittal of Formal Drawings-page 1 of 1)